

Monticello

Home of Thomas Jefferson

Both historic and fun attractions can be found in Virginia. Places like Monticello, WilliamThesburg, and Appomattox give great insight and portrayal of what great people in American history achieved and what life was like in years past. Busch Gardens and the boardwalks at Virginia Beach offer excitement and fun for everyone with all of their amusements. Whether you are looking to get away from life for a while at the beach, explore the beauty of the mountains, or learn a thing or two about American history, Virginia is the place for you!

There are attractions all around the state. Monticello, Appomattox, Shenandoah Valley are to the west; Virginia Beach, Busch Gardens, and Williamsburg are to the east. Most of the big cities: cities of Richmond, Roanoke, Norfolk, and Virginia Beach are all on the east coast. There are many small towns in the Shenandoah Valley, but the mountains themselves are the real attraction. In fact, the Shenandoah Mountains is the starting point for the scenic Blue Ridge Parkway which can be ridden from Shenandoah into the Blue Ridge Mountains, a chain that stretches all the way to Tennessee.

Virginia encompasses many different areas of terrain. In the east lies Virginia Beach bordering the Atlantic Ocean. The terrain gradually rises further west up to the Shenandoah and Blue Ridge Mountains.

The towns and land in the eastern part of Virginia have an average temperate climate but, climbing higher, conditions turn colder especially in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Standard ways of travel (car, bus, plane, etc.) can be used to travel across Virginia.

Shenandoah Valley

Beautiful scenery stretching into the Blue Ridge Mountains…



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Battleship Wisconsin

Natural Bridge

Attractions in Virginia

\*Busch Gardens and Water Country U.S.A.

\*Natural Bridge.

\*Luray Caverns

\*NASCAR tracks in Richmond, Bristol, and Martinsville, Virginia.

\*There are State Parks in nine regions of Virginia.

\*Virginia Beach

\*Blueridge Parkway and Skyline Drive in the Shenandoah Mountains.

\*Hampton Roads Naval Museum

\*Virginia’s nickname is “Old Dominion.”

\*The city of Richmond is the capital of Virginia.

\*The state bird is the Cardinal.

\*Thomas Jefferson founded the University of Virginia in 1819.

\*2,200 battles of the Civil War were fought on Virginia soil. The Confederacy’s capital was also Richmond.

\*Tobacco is its major cash crop.